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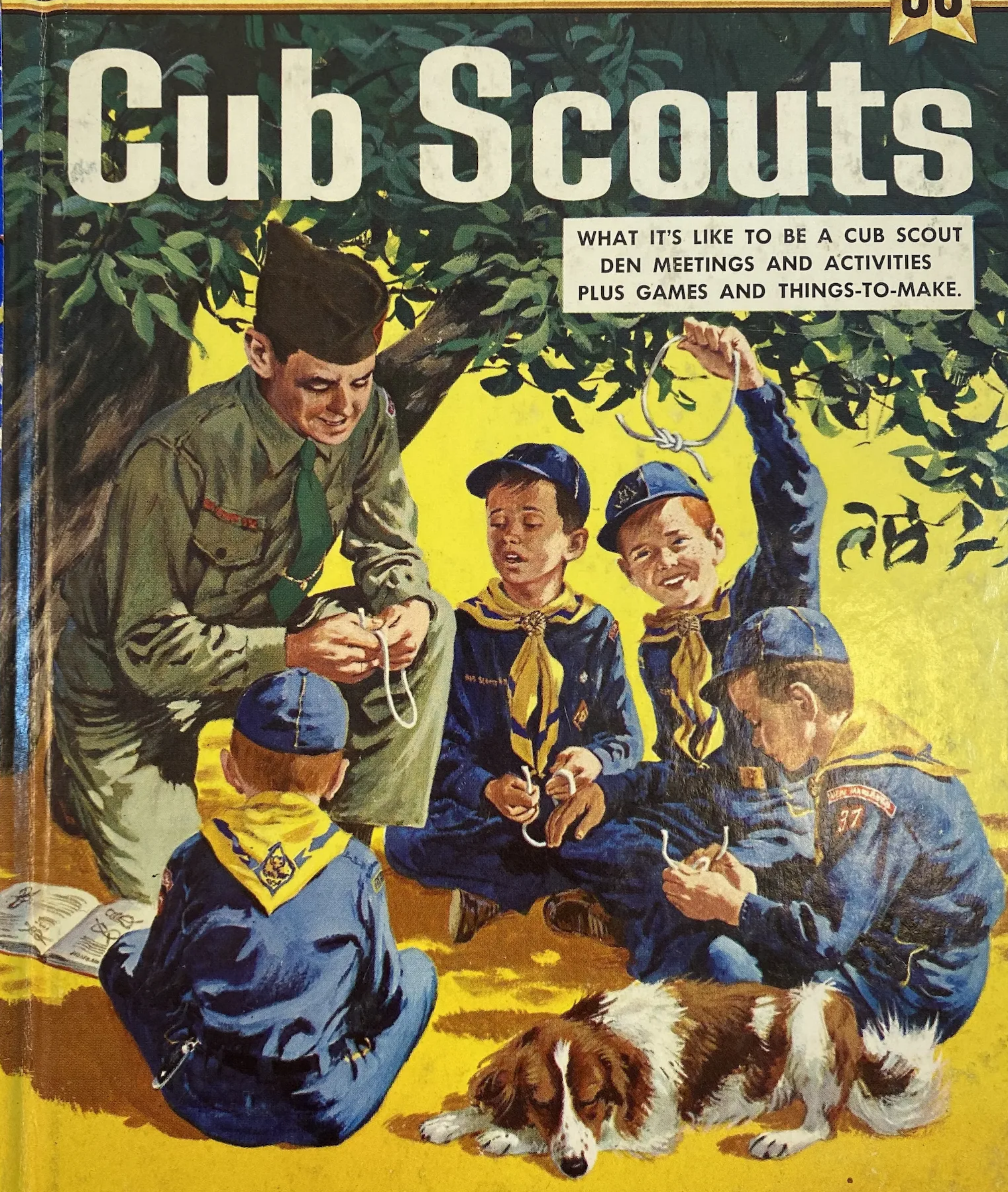

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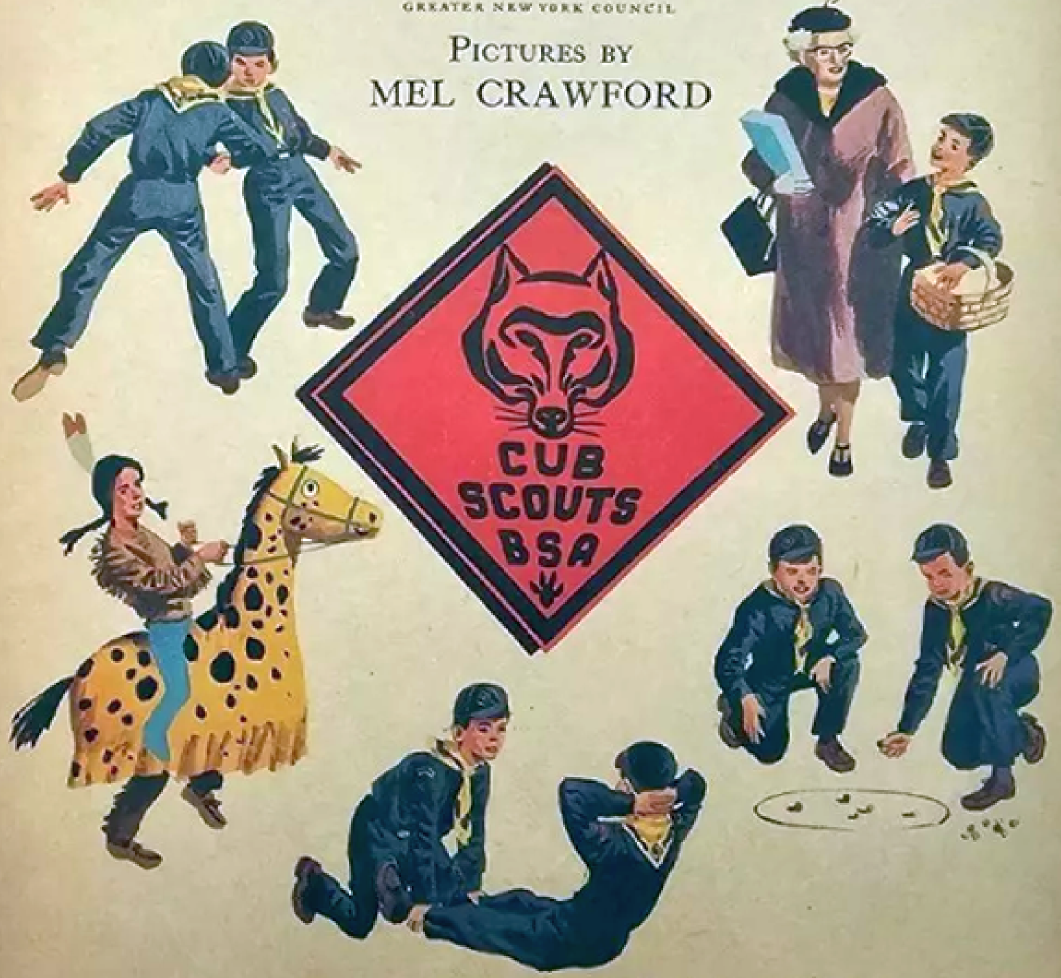

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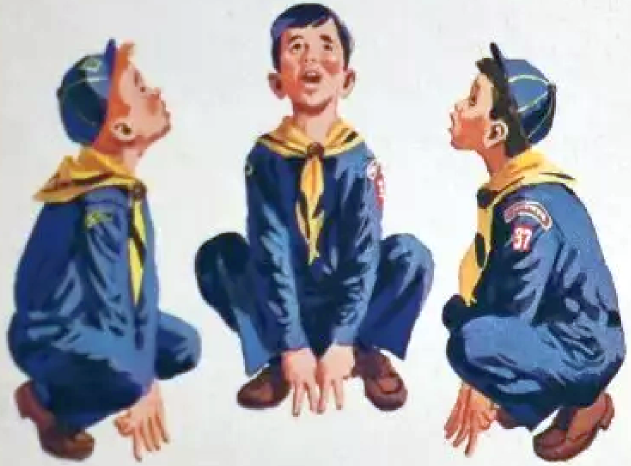

THIS BOOK tells what it is like to be a Cub Scout—from the moment when a boy first enters the Den to the time when he is ready to become a Boy Scout. It is filled with lively text and pictures, and has many ideas for games and activities. I am proud to have helped in the making of this book, for I believe that it is the only one of its kind, and will fulfill a great need on the part of all boys who are or want to become Cub Scouts.

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Welcome to the Cub Scouts

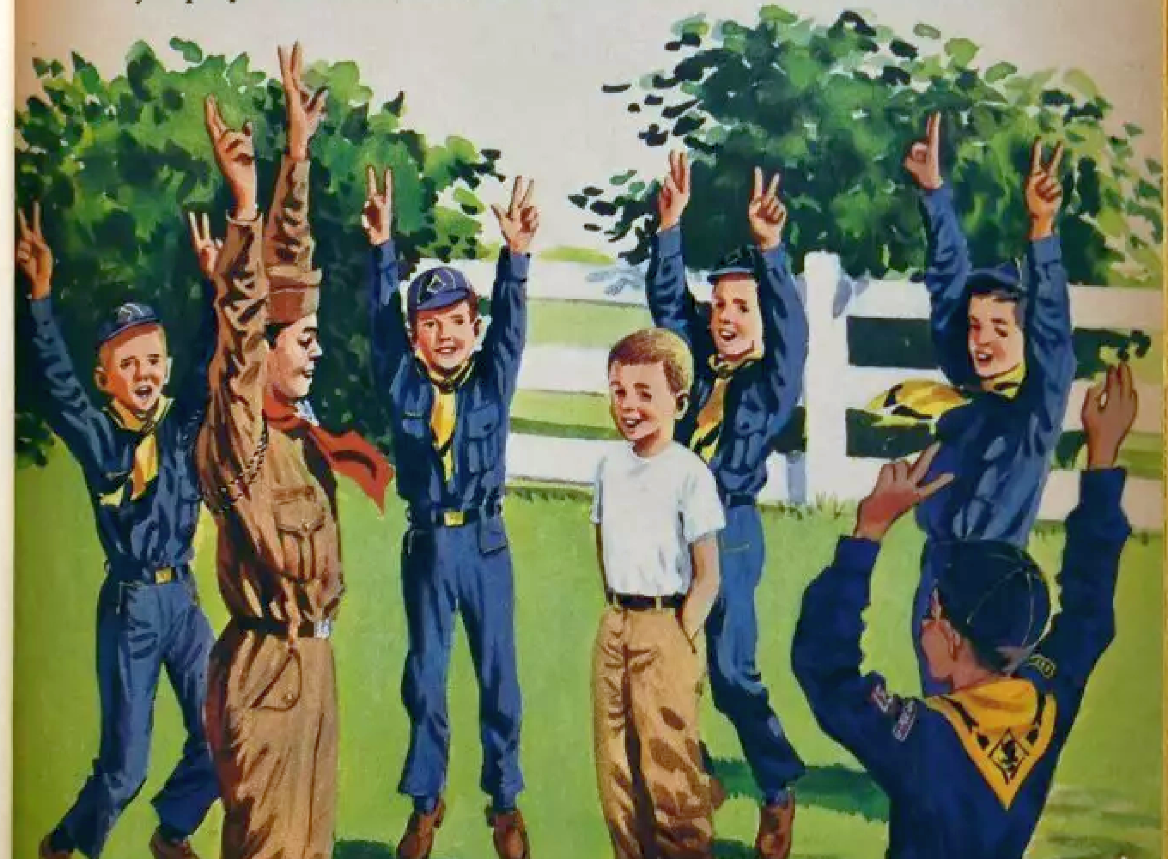
WHEN a new boy joins the Pack, all the Cub Scouts form a circle around him and squat down with both hands touching the ground in the Cub Scout sign. Then they raise their heads and howl:

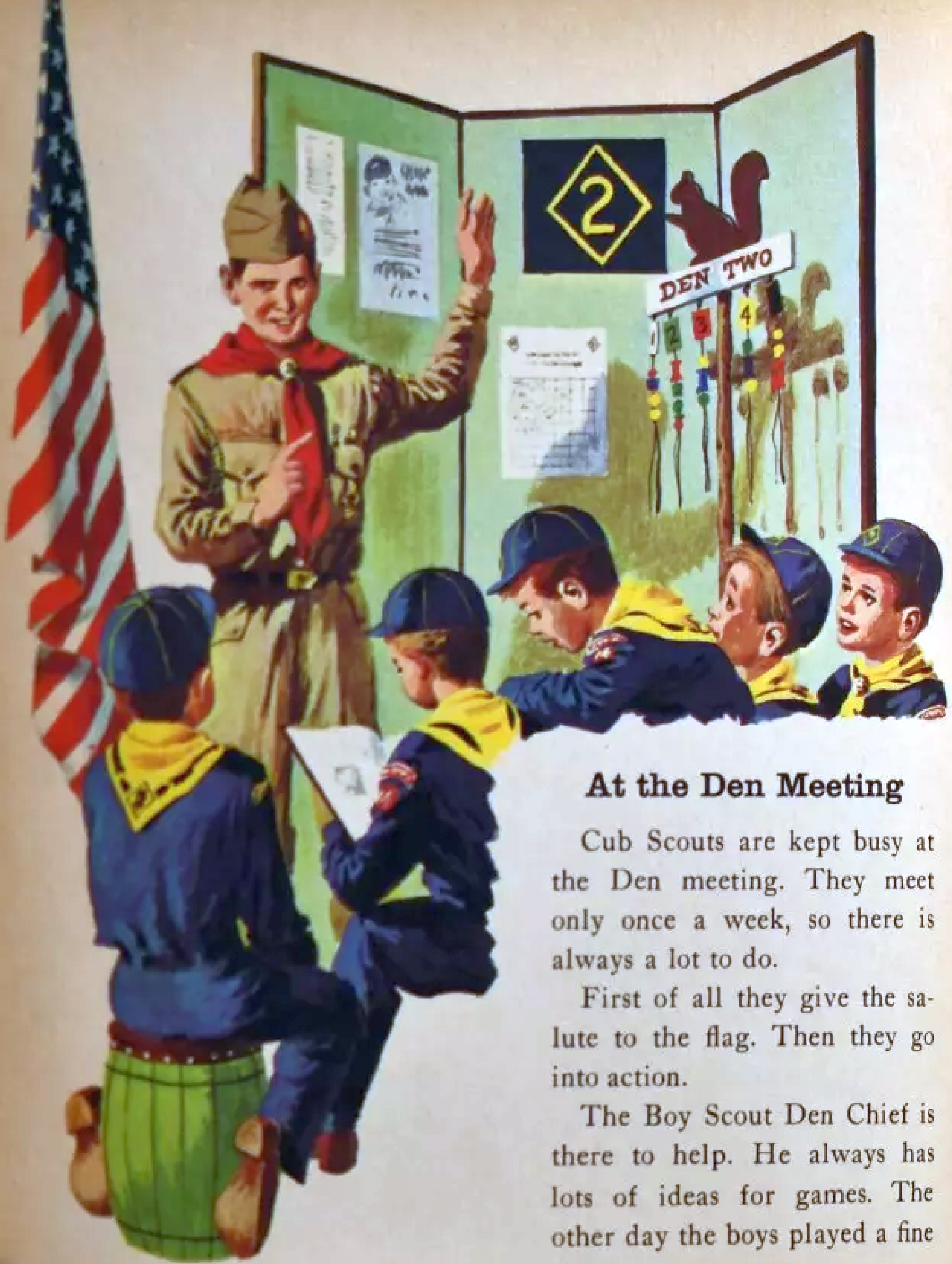
"A-ke-la! We'll do our best!"

On the word "BEST!" they jump up with both hands above their heads in the Cub Scout sign.

Then one of them yells, "DYB - DYB - DYB - DYB!" which stands for "Do Your Best!" And all the Cub Scouts make a straight salute with their right hand to their caps and answer, "We'll DOB-DOB-DOB."

That's their way of saying "We'll Do Our Best!"



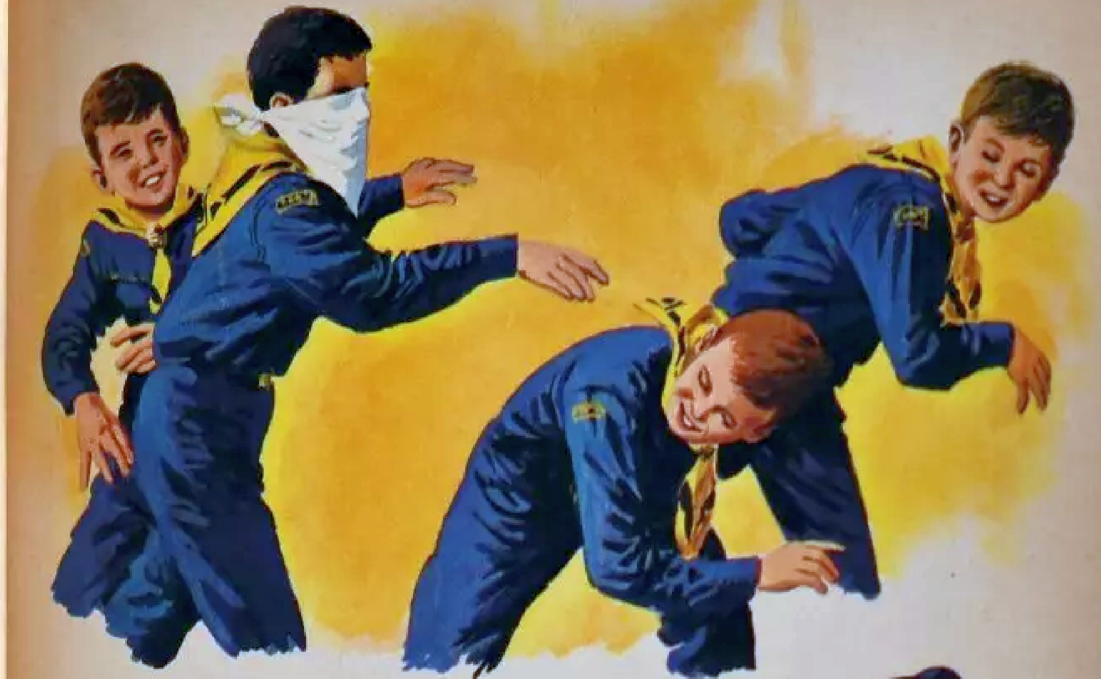


At the Den Meeting

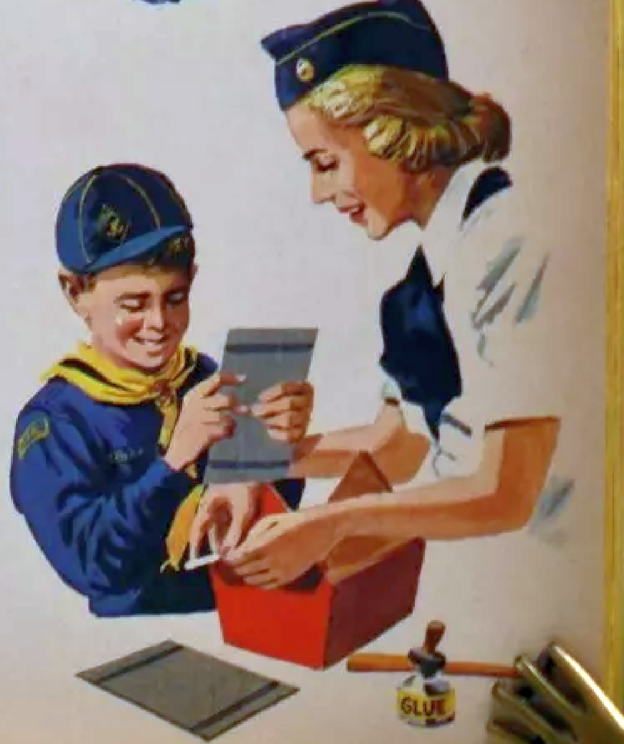
Cub Scouts are kept busy at the Den meeting. They meet only once a week, so there is always a lot to do.

First of all they give the salute to the flag. Then they go into action.

The Boy Scout Den Chief is there to help. He always has lots of ideas for games. The other day the boys played a fine game of blind-man's buff. The Den Chief knows tricks and songs, too.



The Den Mother, too, keeps the Cub Scouts busy. They are making bird houses. Last time they made all the things you see around the Cub Scout den. They don't know yet what they'll be making next time, but you can be sure it will be something good.



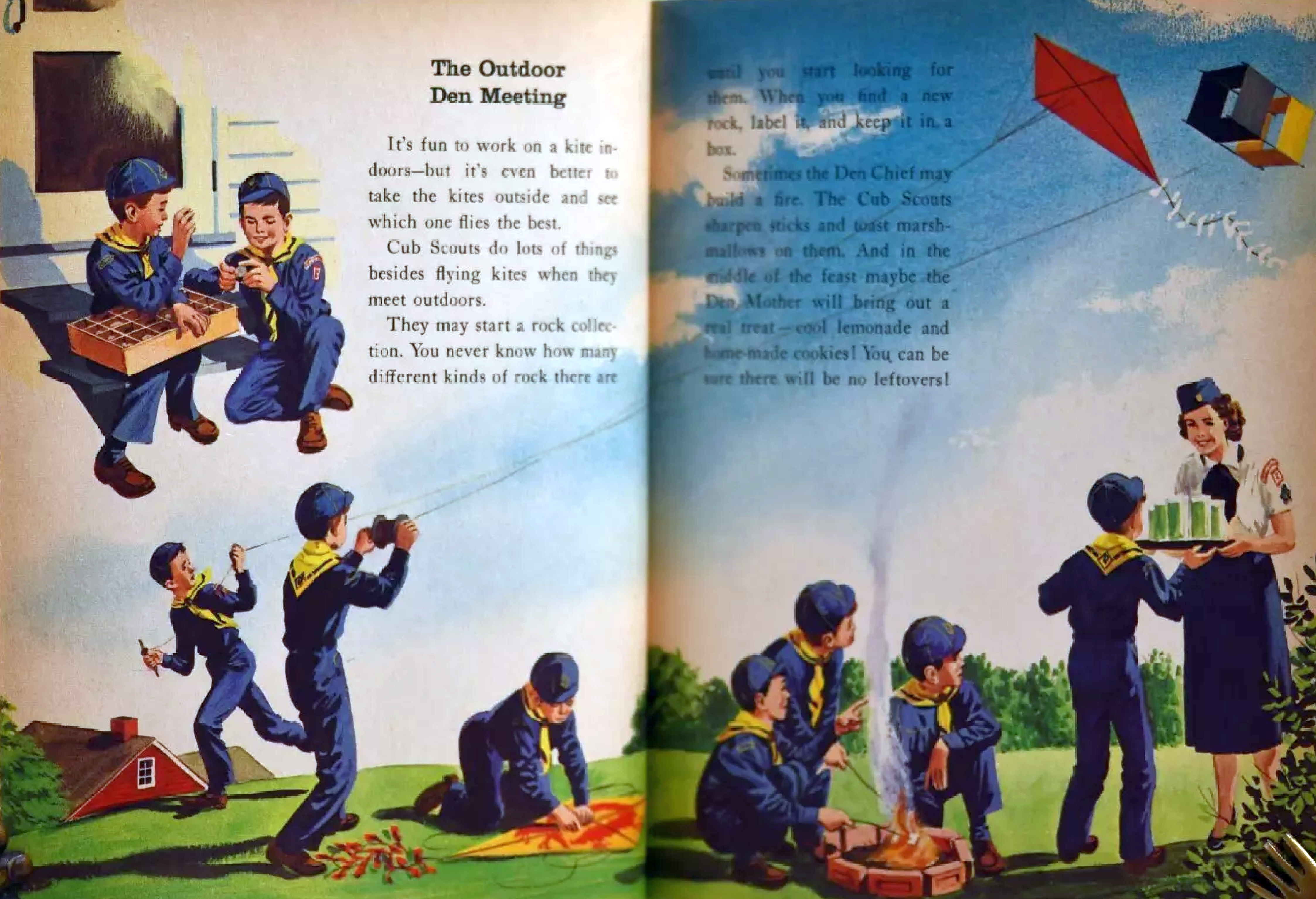
The Outdoor Den Meeting

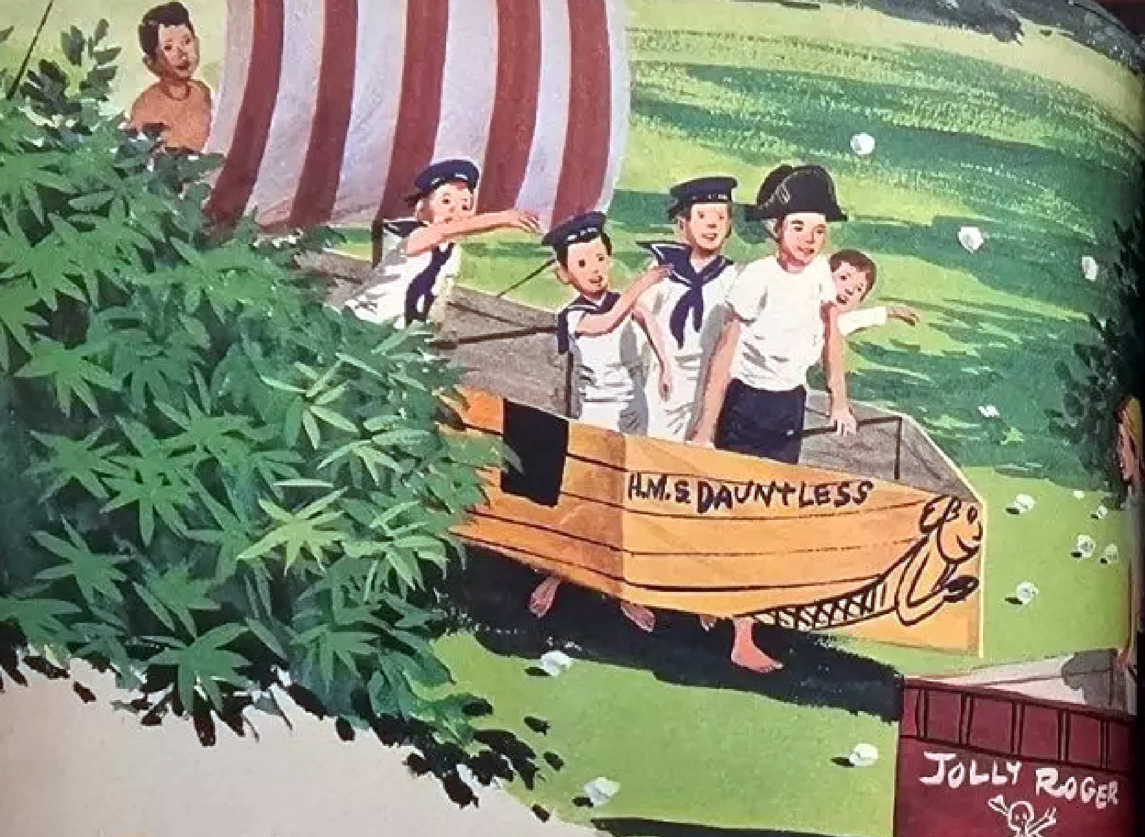
It's fun to work on a kite indoors—but it's even better to take the kites outside and see which one flies the best.

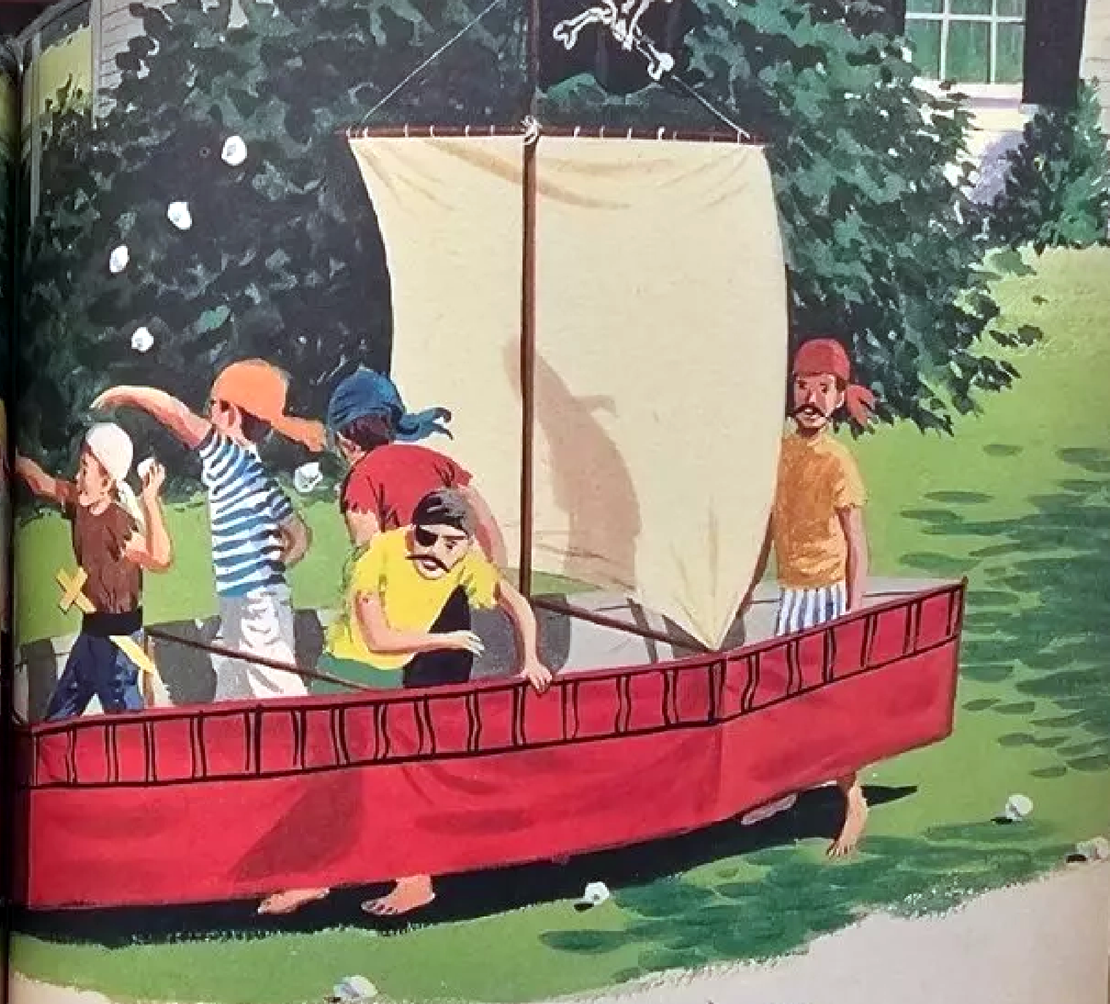
Cub Scouts do lots of things besides flying kites when they meet outdoors.

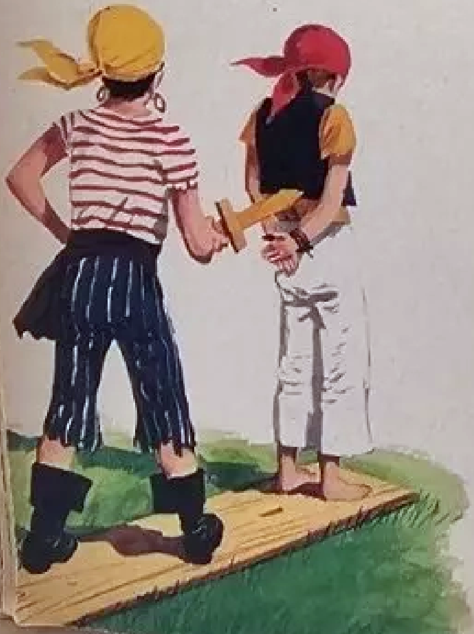
They may start a rock collection. You never know how many different kinds of rock there are until you start looking for them. When you find a new rock, label it, and keep it in a box.

Sometimes the Den Chief may build a fire. The Cub Scouts sharpen sticks and toast marshmallows on them. And in the middle of the feast maybe the Den Mother will bring out a real treat—cool lemonade and home-made cookies! You can be sure there will be no leftovers!









Pirates on Treasure Island

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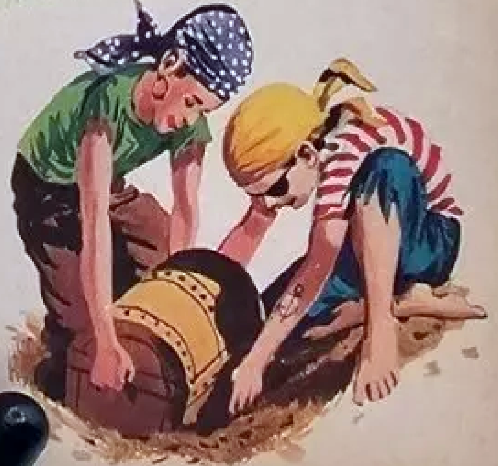
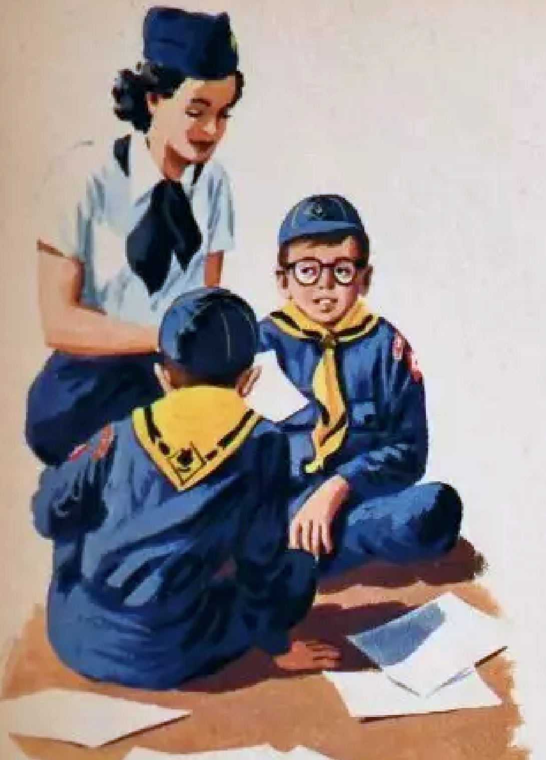
Some of the other Den fathers helped, too. The ship was made out of burlap stretched over a wood frame. Everybody helped to decorate it.

Meanwhile, the mothers were busy making costumes for the pirates and the sailors.

Nobody knows what will be in the buried treasure – that's part of the fun!





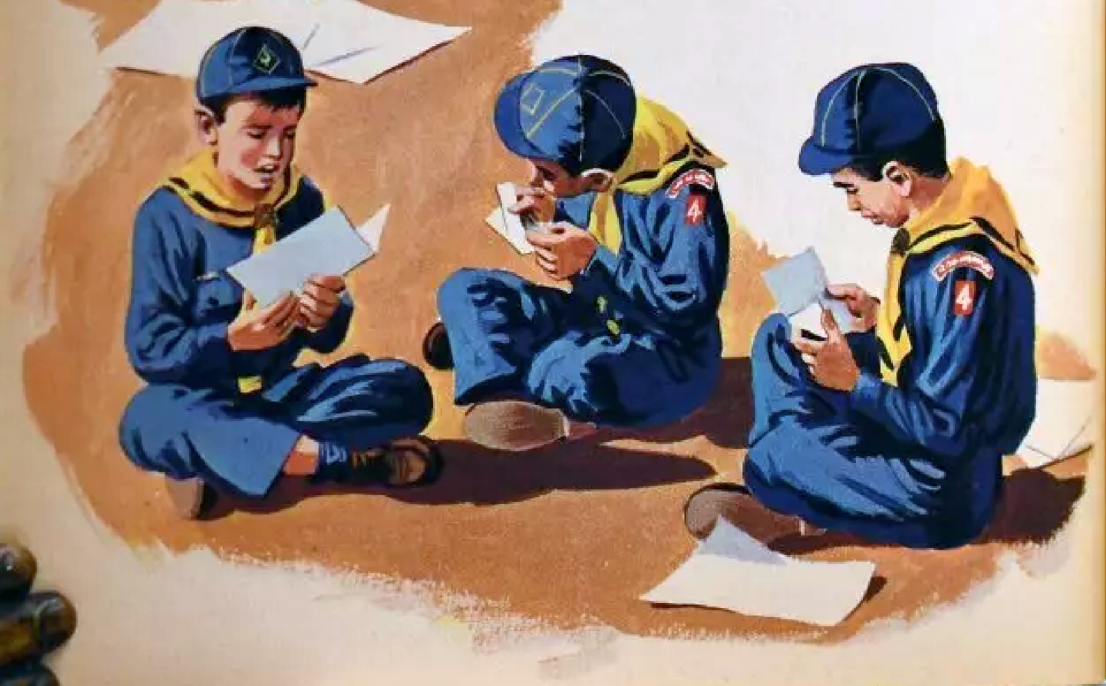
The Den Mother Helps

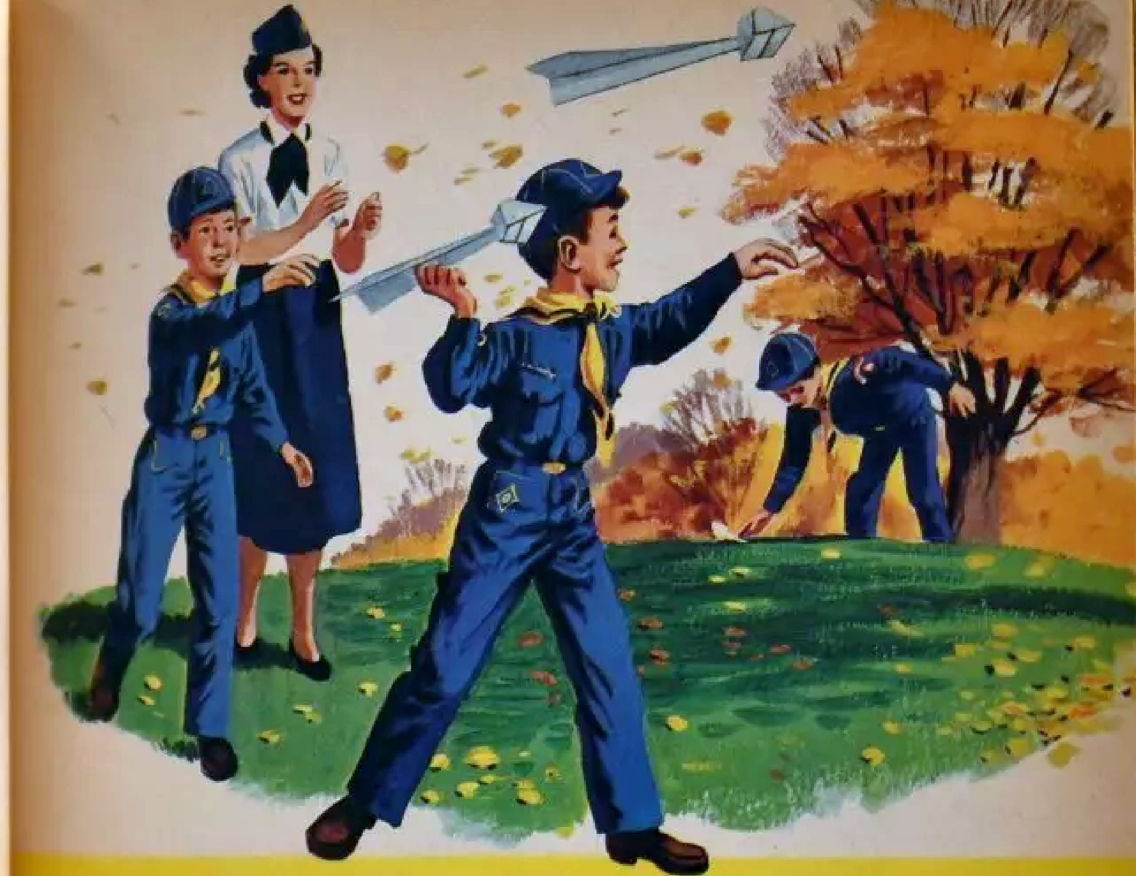
The Den Mother knows all about making things. The other day the Cub Scouts were making airplanes the usual way by folding pieces of paper.

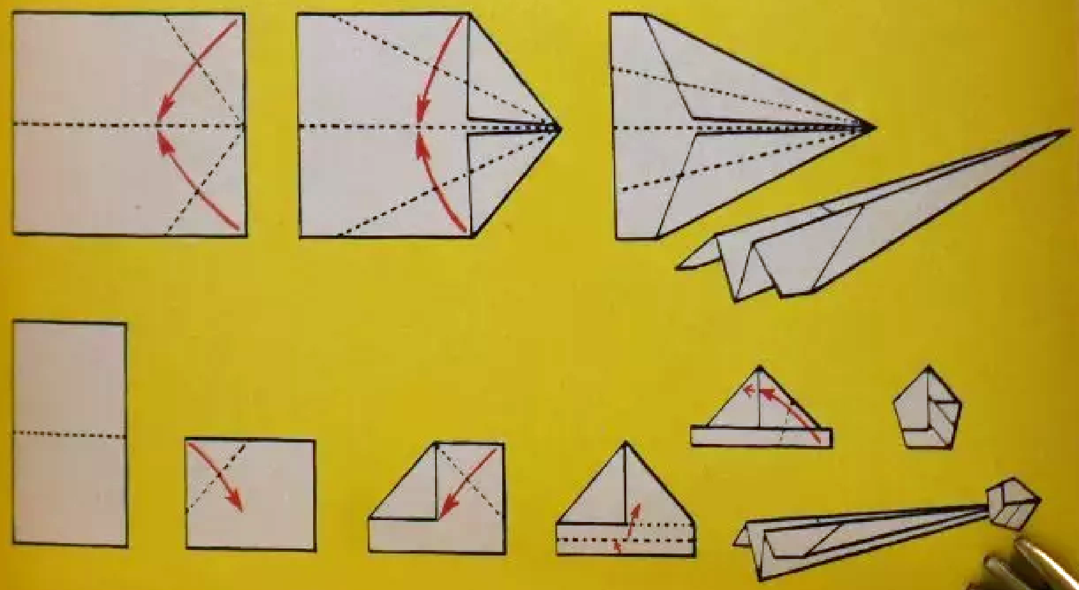
The Den Mother said, "Let's put jet points on them and see whose plane will fly the farthest."

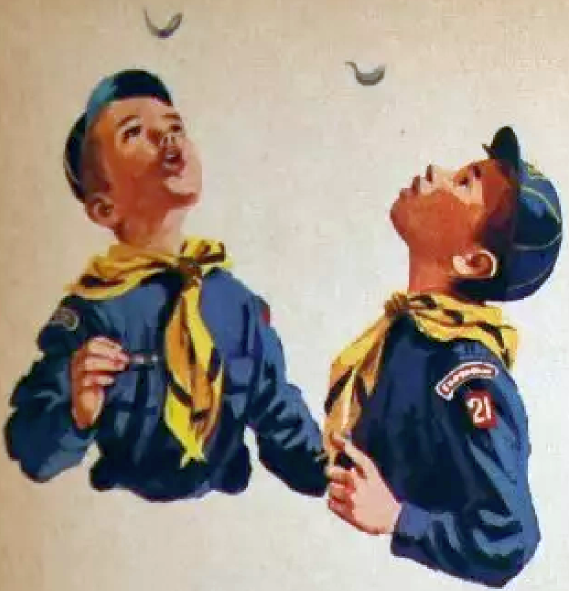
She gave each boy a whole sheet of writing paper for the plane and half a sheet for the jet point and showed the boys how to make them.

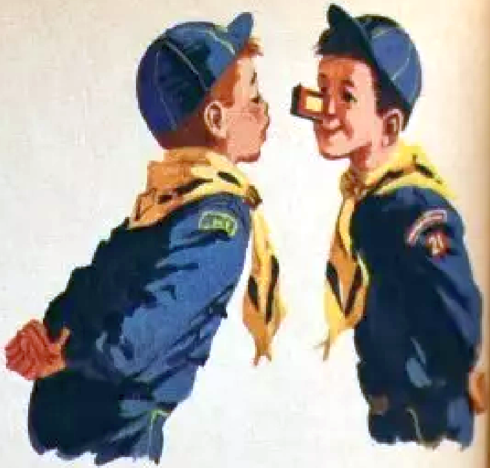
Then they had the contest to see who had the fastest jet.

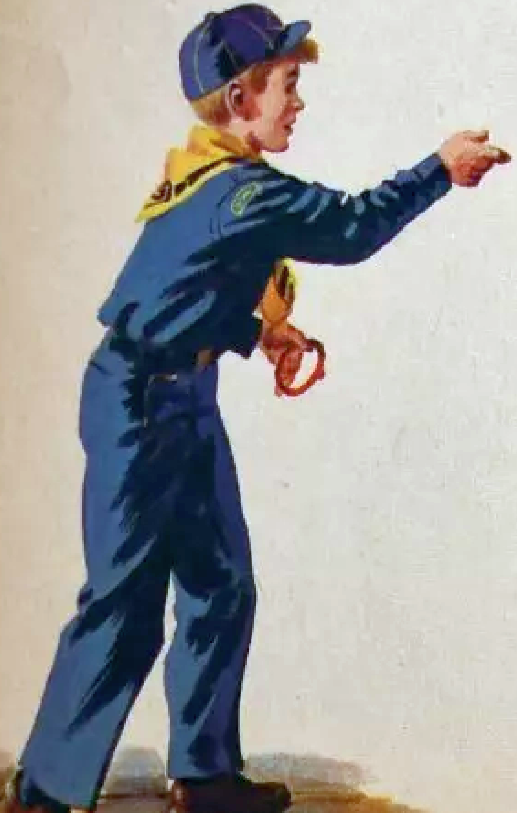










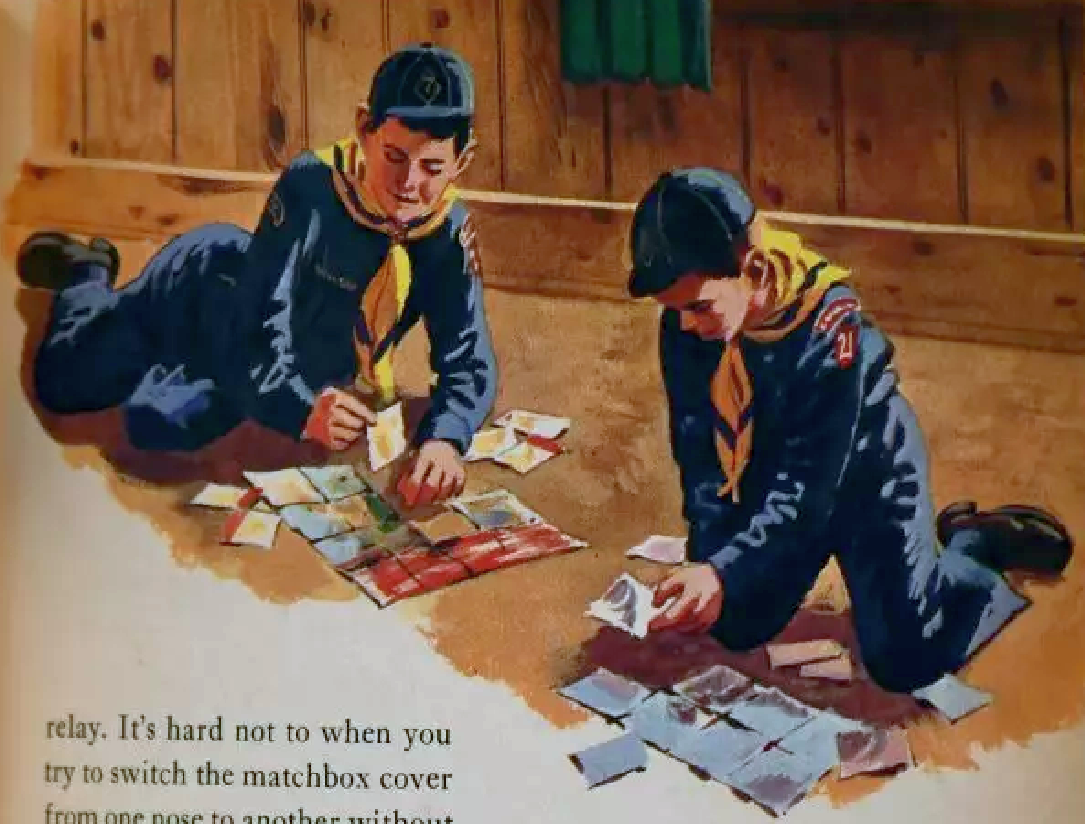


Den Games Indoors

When your Den Mother lives in an apartment you can't make nearly as much noise as you can in a house. You have to play quieter games.

You won't make much noise playing "Big Blow." In this game, each fellow throws a feather up in the air and tries to keep it up there by blowing.

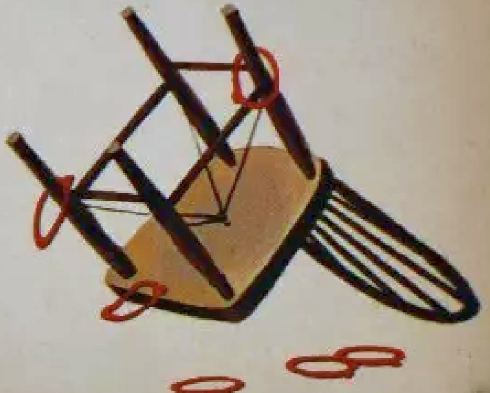
Laughing is the only noise you make when you play matchbox relay. It's hard not to when you try to switch the matchbox cover from one nose to another without touching it with your hands.

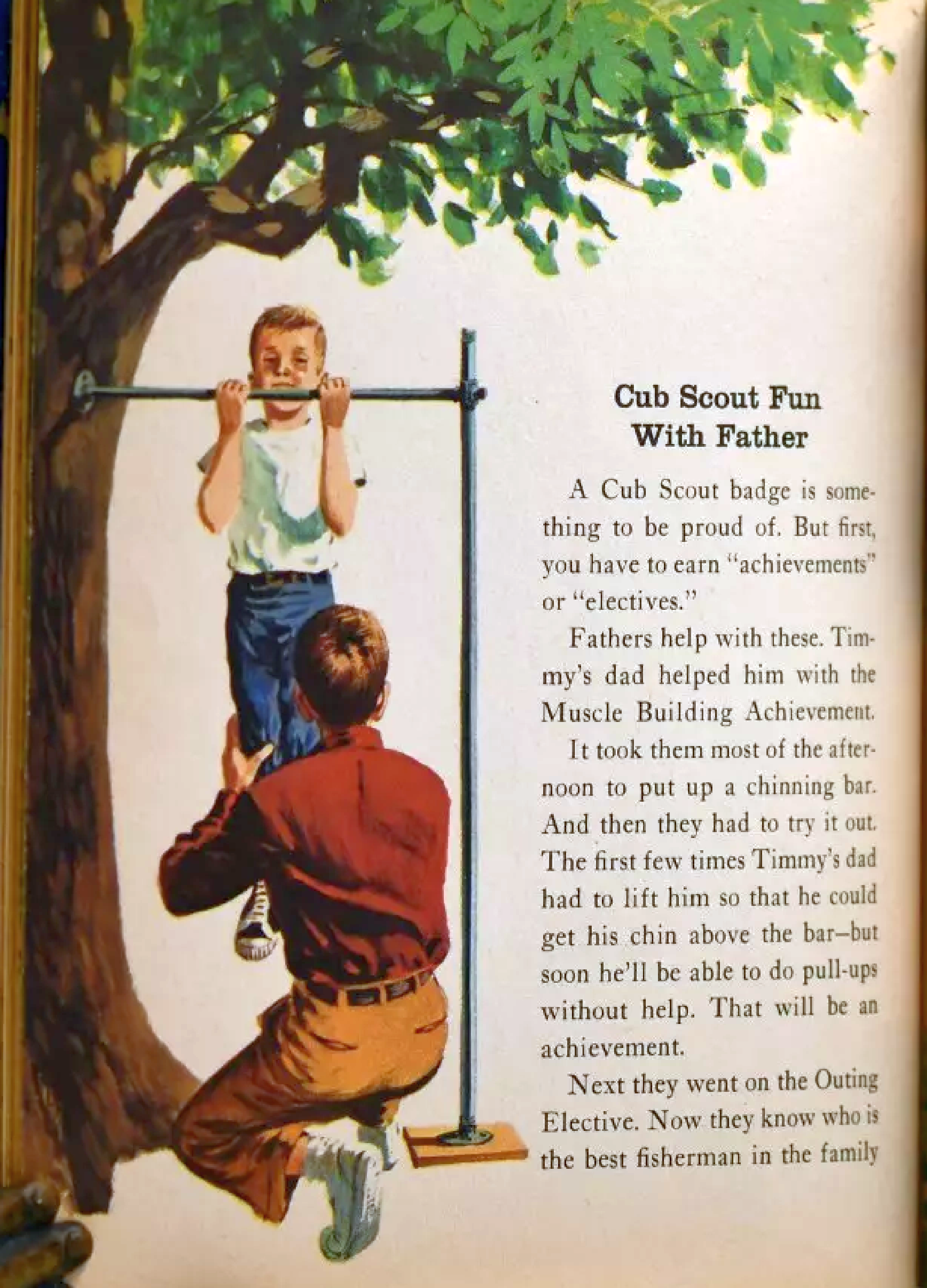


The magazine-cover game is nice and quiet. For this, your Den Mother gives you a magazine cover that she has torn into sixteen pieces. The trick is to put the cover together again as quickly as possible.

You can end with a game of ring throwing.

Nobody will complain when you play games like that in a Den Mother's apartment.





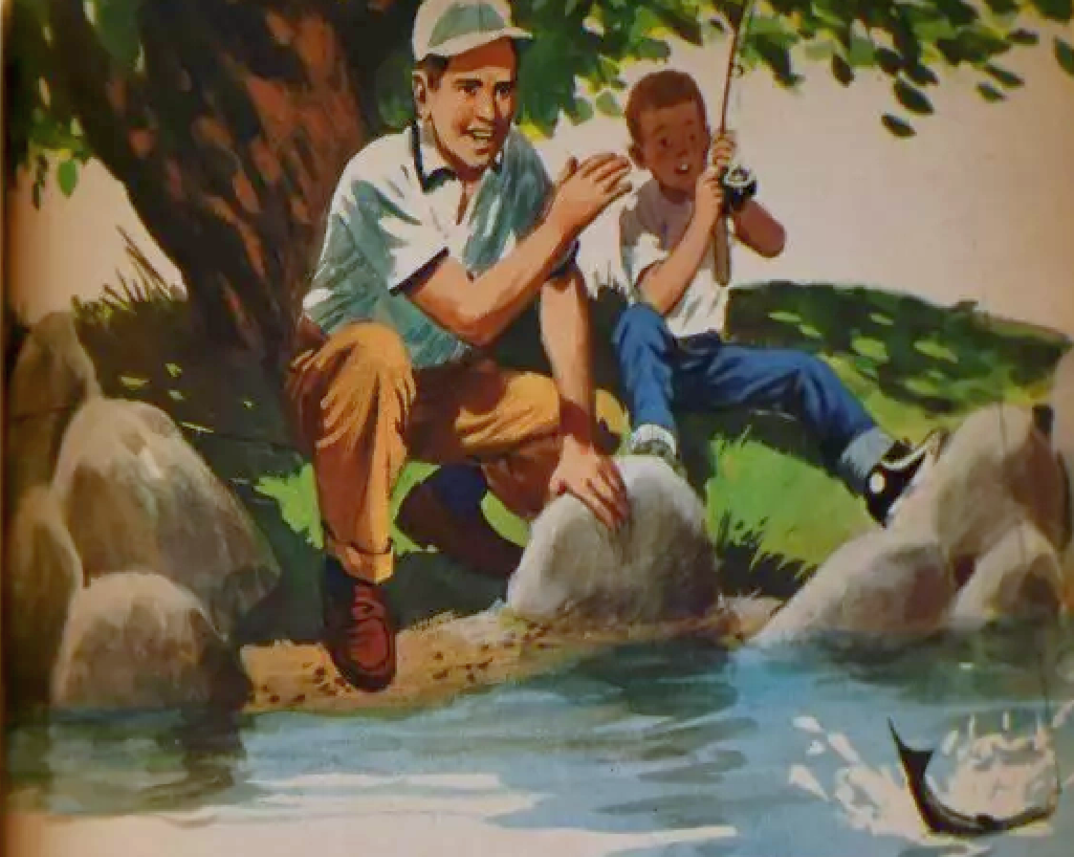
Cub Scout Fun With Father

A Cub Scout badge is something to be proud of. But first, you have to earn "achievements" or "electives."

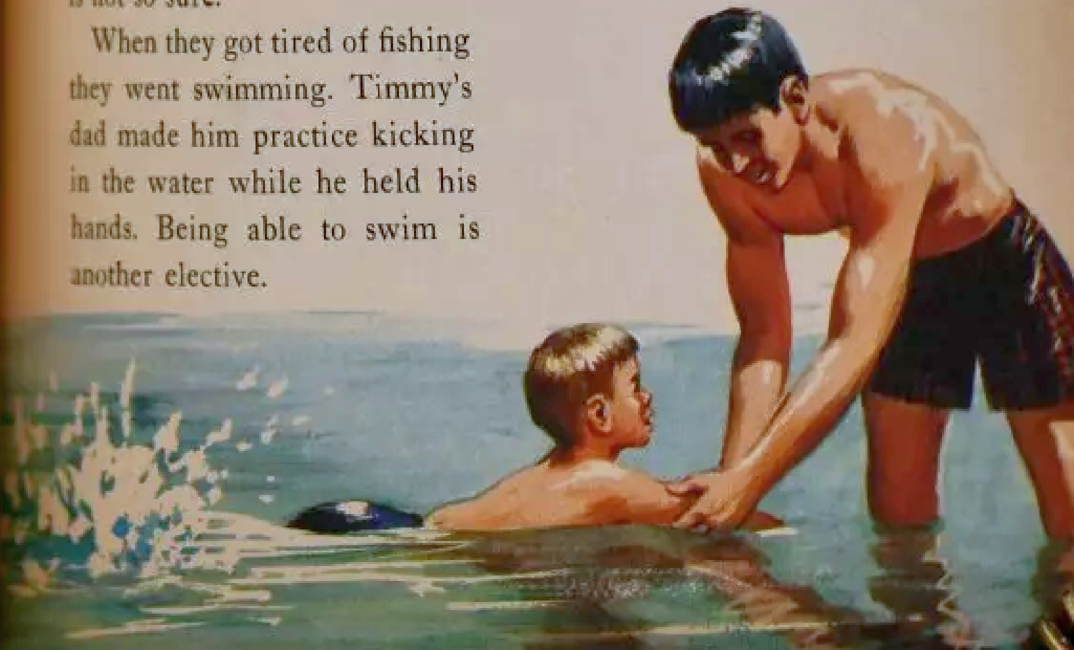
Fathers help with these. Timmy's dad helped him with the Muscle Building Achievement.

It took them most of the afternoon to put up a chinning bar. And then they had to try it out. The first few times Timmy's dad had to lift him so that he could get his chin above the bar–but soon he'll be able to do pull-ups without help. That will be an achievement.

Next they went on the Outing Elective. Now they know who is the best fisherman in the family–Timmy! His dad said it was just beginner's luck–but Timmy is not so sure.



When they got tired of fishing they went swimming. Timmy's dad made him practice kicking in the water while he held his hands. Being able to swim is another elective.

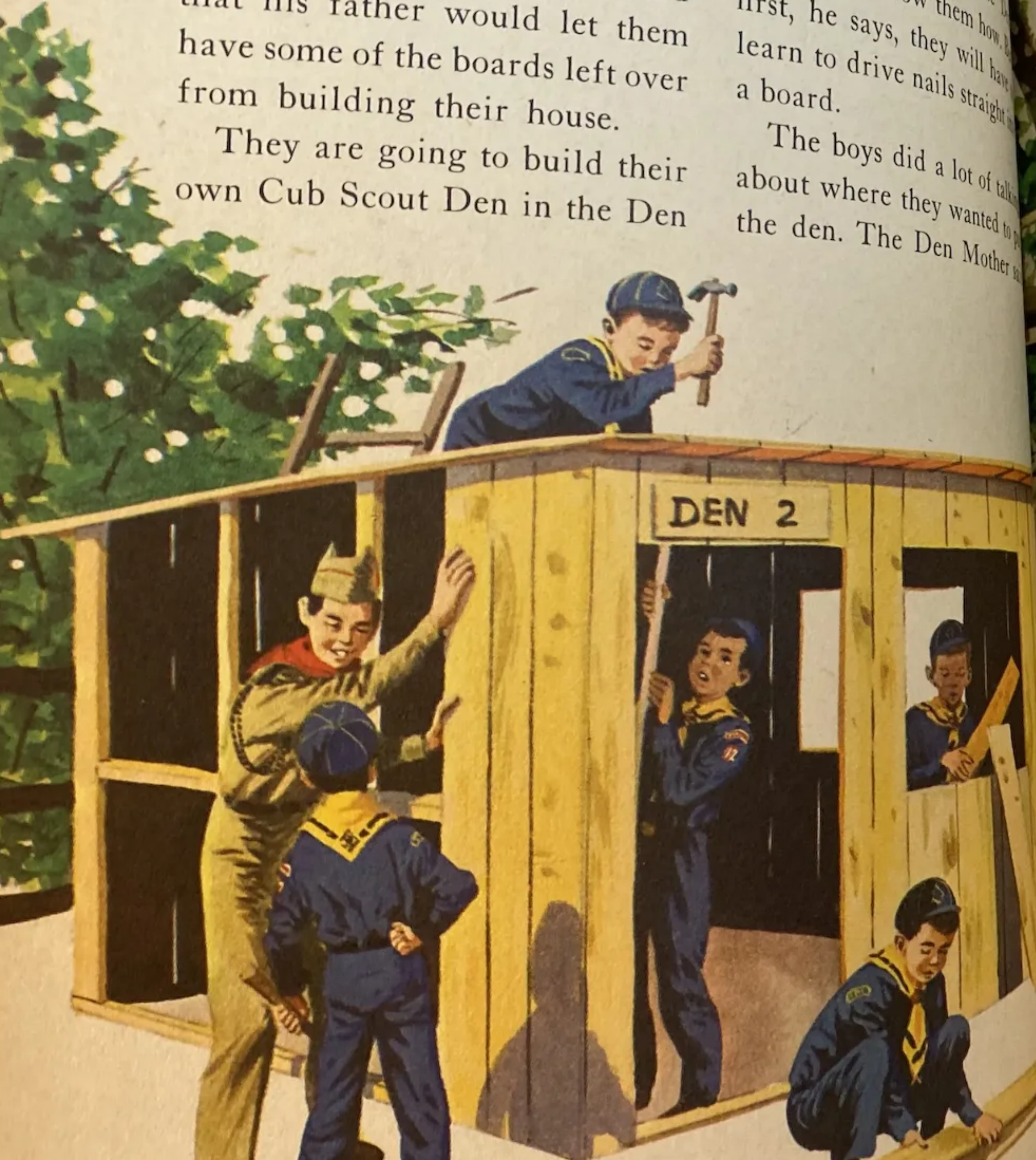


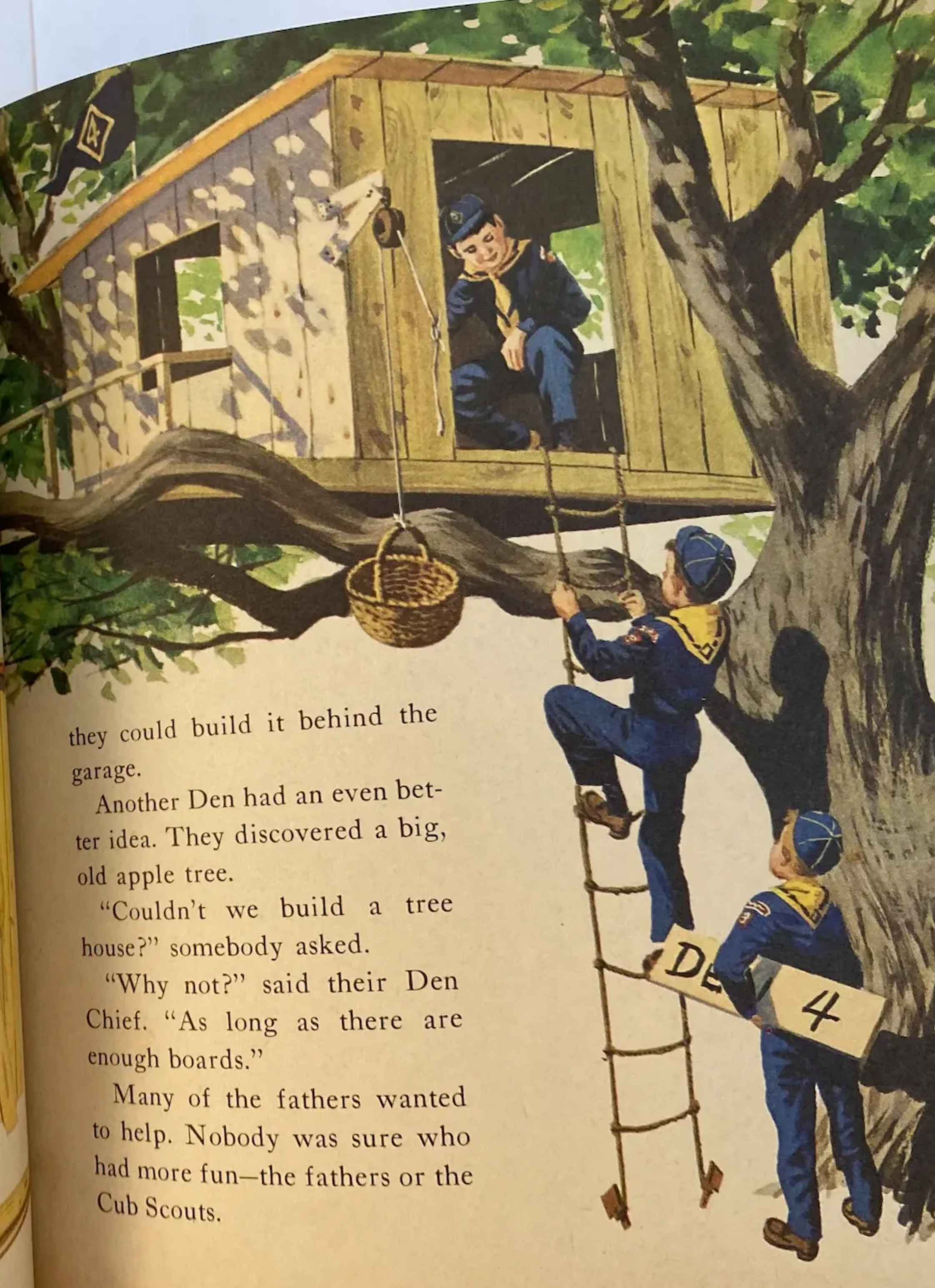
Building a Den

This Den had some very good news the other day. One of the new Cub Scouts in the Den said that his father would let them have some of the boards left over from building their house.

They are going to build their own Cub Scout Den in the Den Mother's backyard. The D
Chief will show them how. B
first, he says, they will have
learn to drive nails straight
a board.

The boys did a lot of talk
about where they wanted to
the den. The Den Mother





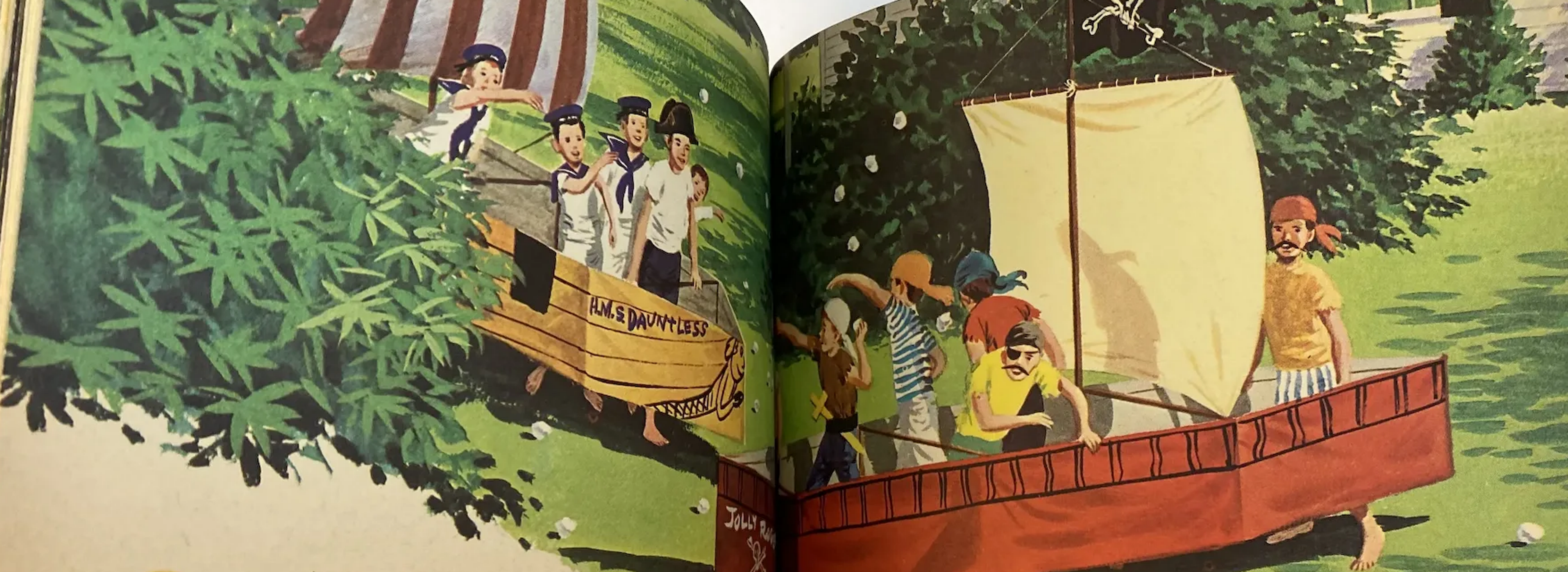
they could build it behind the garage.

Another Den had an even better idea. They discovered a big, old apple tree.

"Couldn't we build a tree house?" somebody asked.

"Why not?" said their Den Chief. "As long as there are enough boards."

Many of the fathers wanted to help. Nobody was sure who had more fun—the fathers or the Cub Scouts.



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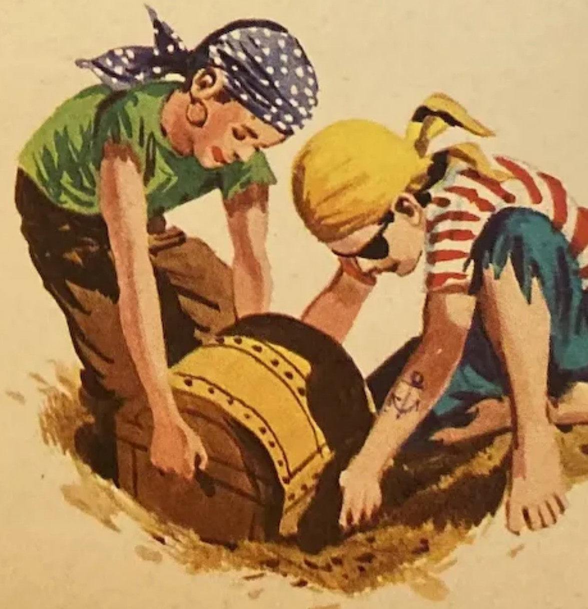

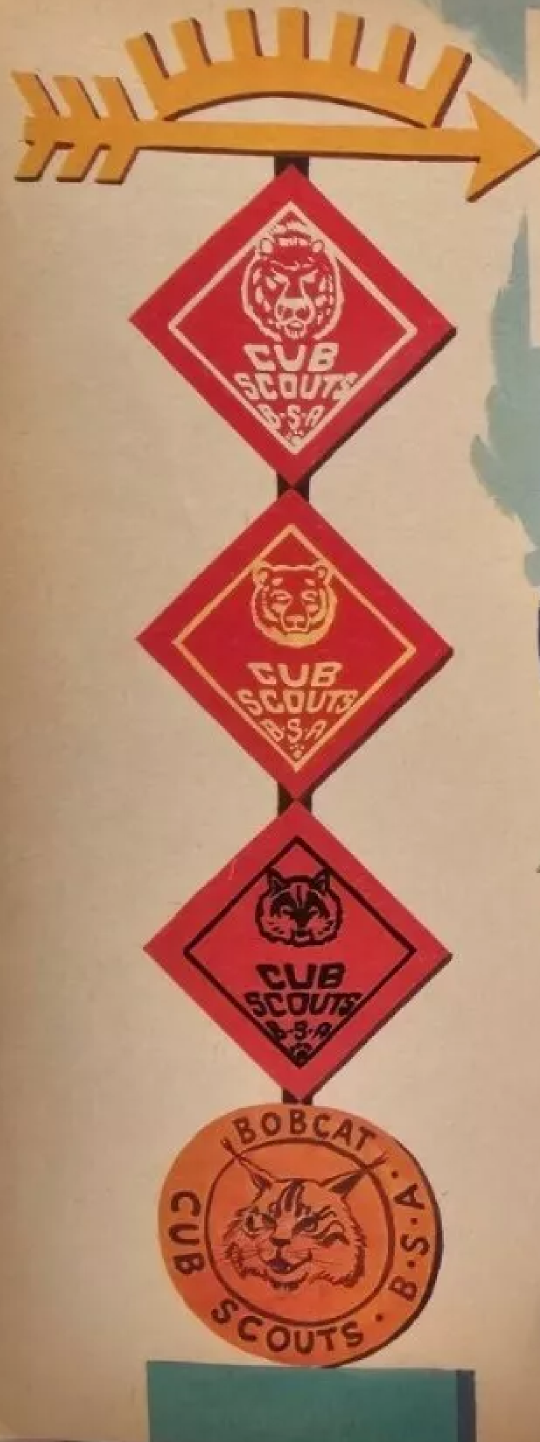
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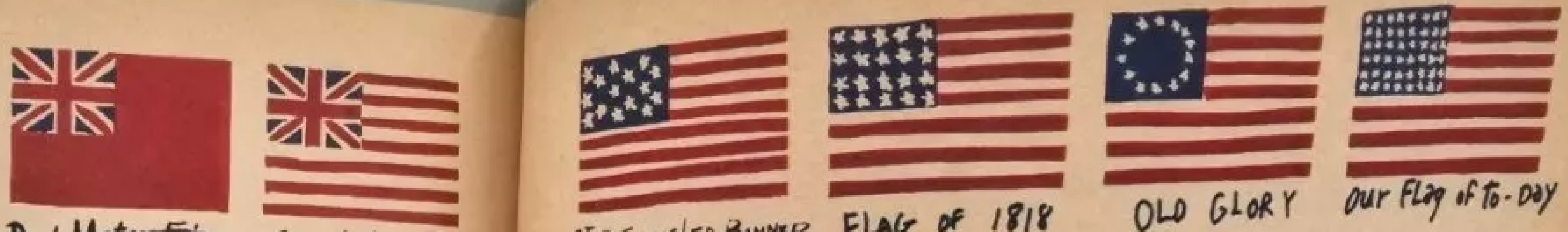
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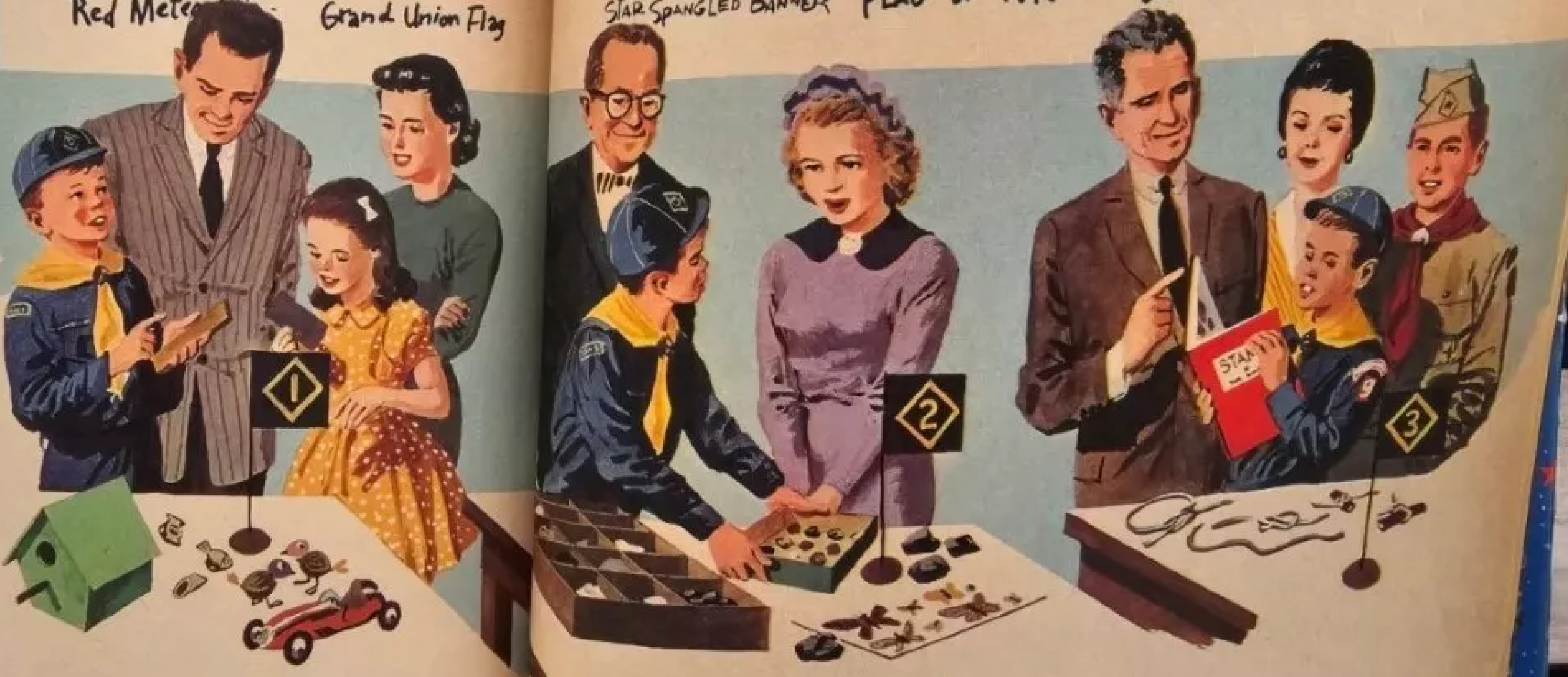
Our Flag of To-Day



The Big Achievement Show

All Cub Scouts who are eight years old want to get the Wolf Badge. All who are nine want to become Bears. All who are [illegible] want to get the Lion Badge. [illegible] get those badges by working on achievements, with the help of your father and mother.

It's not easy to see the Den's achievements unless everything is put on display at one time. And that is what the Cub Scouts did recently. Each Den in the Pack decorated part of a wall and filled a whole table with handicrafts and collections and lots of other things they had been working on.

Now look the tables over carefully.

Which Den do you think did the [illegible] job?

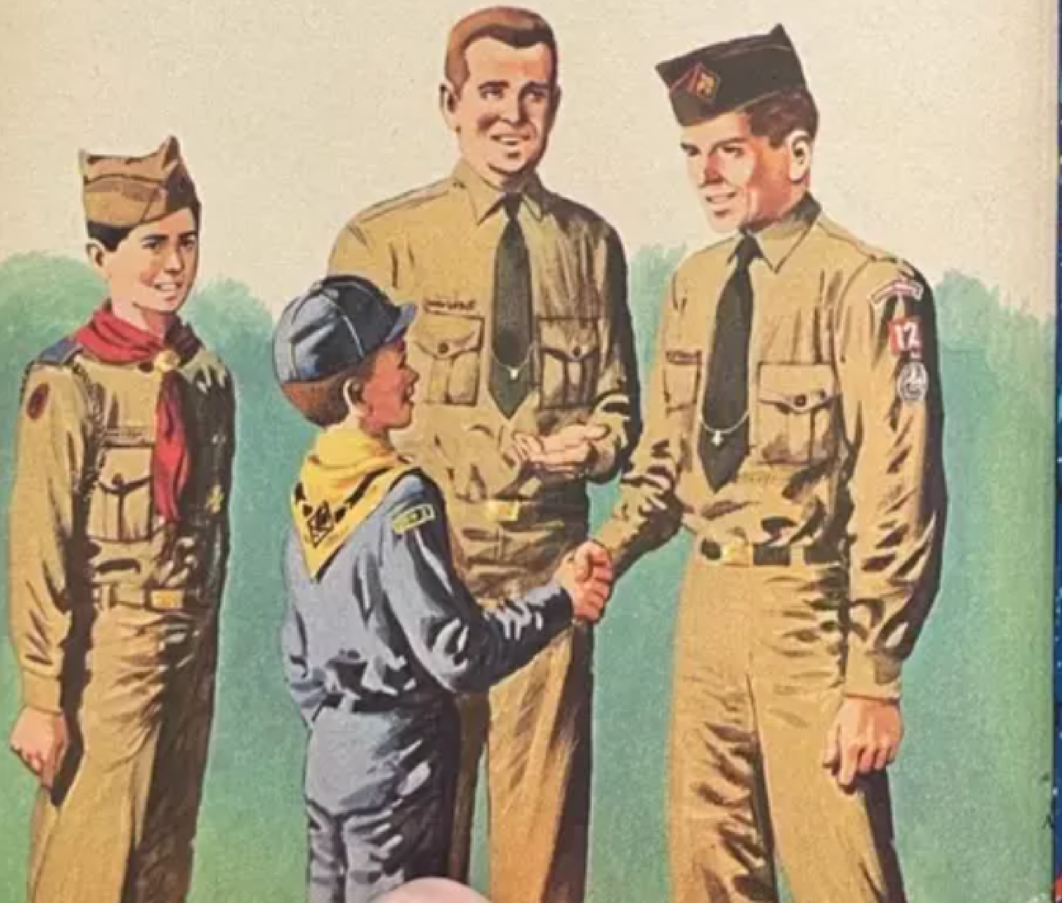
Becoming a Boy Scout

When you are eleven years old, you are old enough to become a Boy Scout.

Your Cubmaster will tell the Scoutmaster that there is a smart boy in the Pack who is ready to become a Tenderfoot Scout.

He will take you to meet your Scoutmaster and your patrol leader. Pretty soon after you will be one of the regular members of a good patrol in a good troop.

Your Cub Scout fun is over—now for the Boy Scout fun!



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